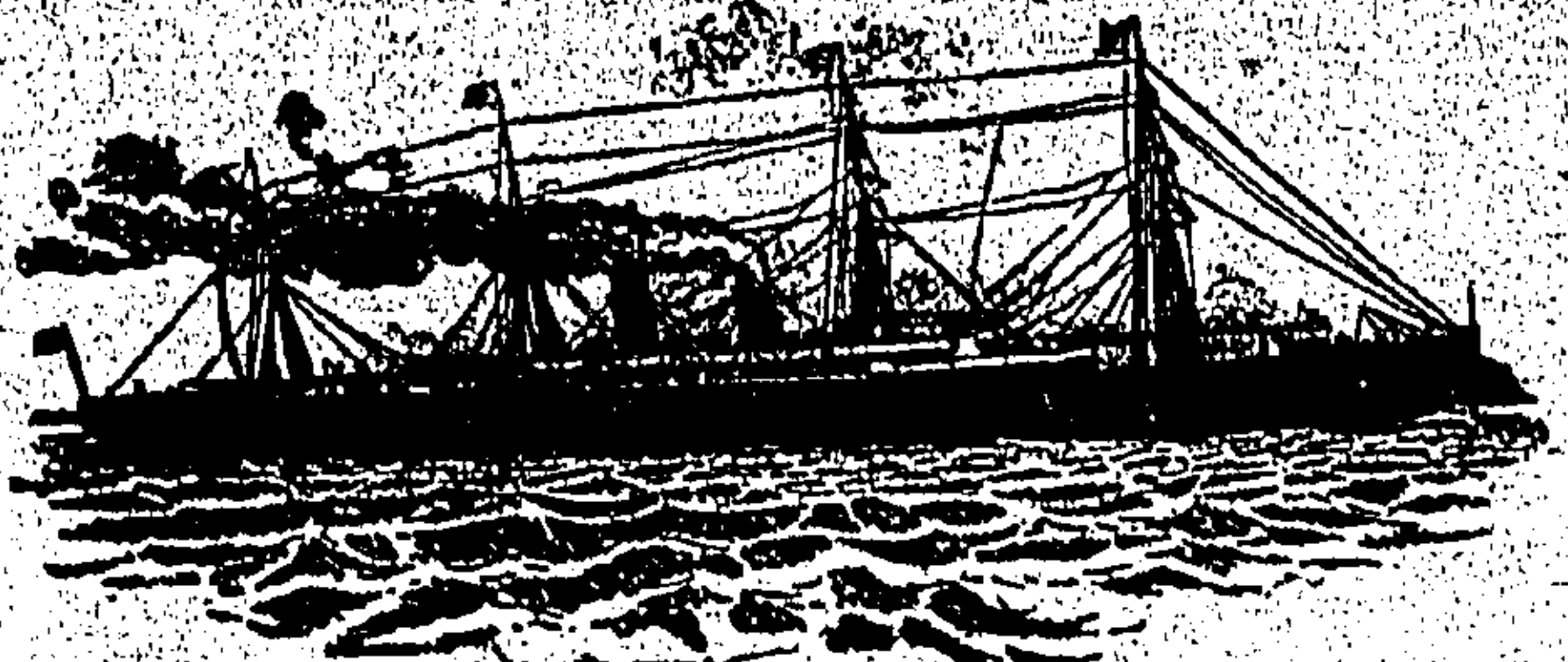






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THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 3rd July, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full value of same is required.

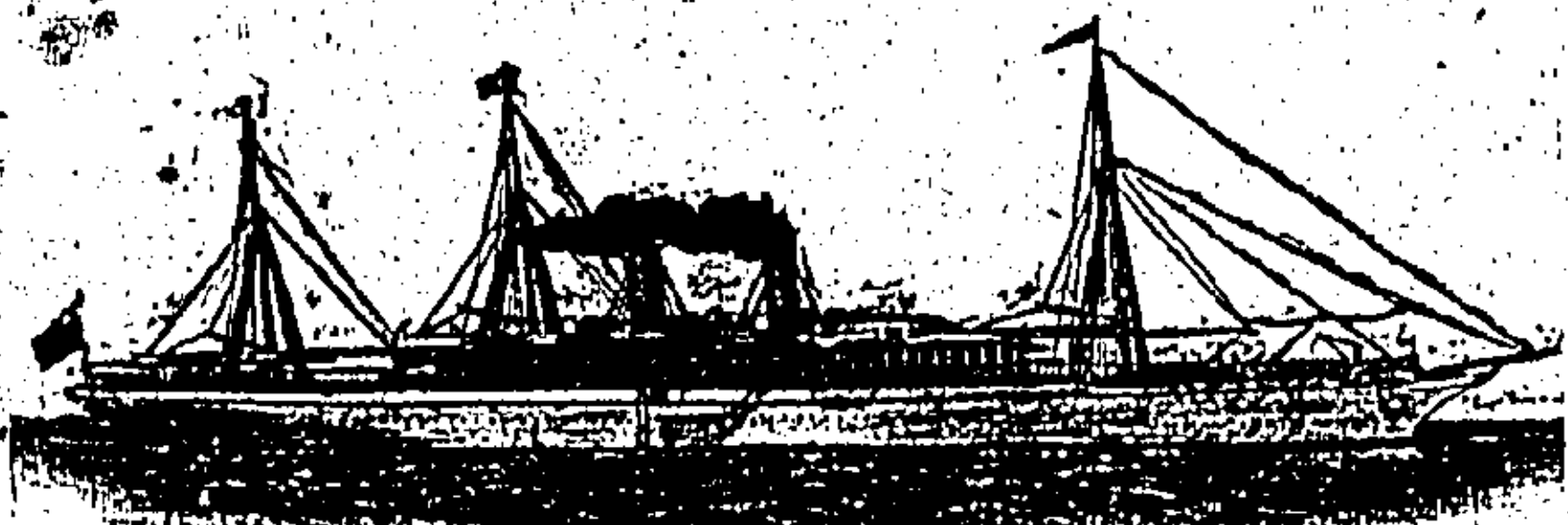
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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

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Hongkong, 24th June, 1902.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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"ATHENIAN".....Comdr. H. Mowatt.....SATURDAY, 26th July.  
"EMPRESS OF INDIA".....Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 6th Aug.  
"EMPRESS OF CHINA".....Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 27th Aug.  
"TARTAR".....Comdr. E. Becham, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 10th Sept.

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The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

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Hongkong, 26th June, 1902.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	Freight and Passengers
STRASSBURG	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)	11th July	Freight and Passengers
SAMBIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)	15th July	Freight and Passengers
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)	30th July	Freight and Passengers
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)	14th Aug.	Freight and Passengers
WURZBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)	28th Aug.	Freight and Passengers
KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)	10th Sept.	Freight and Passengers

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Hongkong Office, No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1902.

## Intimations.

## FOOK WO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 45, Bonham Strand, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 28th day of June, at 12 o'clock, NOON, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 10th day of June, 1902, will be submitted for confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

## 1ST RESOLUTION.

That Article 71 shall be cancelled and that the following Article shall be substituted therefor:—

71. The First Directors and the Secretaries named in these Articles shall be paid for founders remuneration in each year 13% of the net profits of the Company to be divided into 29 shares, of which 4 shares shall be given to each of the Managing Directors, 1 share to each of the other First Directors, 3 shares to the Chief Secretary, and 2 shares to each of the Assistant Secretaries, and the first Directors and the Secretaries named in these Articles shall also be paid 5% for founders remuneration of the net profit of the Company in each year to be divided among them in proportion to the number of shares taken up by them and by such Shareholders as they introduced on the formation of the Company. The Managing Directors shall also divide 14% of the net profits of the Company among the Officers of the Company in these Articles for good service in such manner as the Managing Directors shall determine.

## 2ND RESOLUTION.

That Article 72 shall be cancelled and that the following Article shall be substituted therefor:—

72. If the First Directors and the Secretaries named in these Articles or any of them shall vacate their office either by resignation or death or any other cause their successors shall only be entitled to one half of such Founders remuneration (as provided in the preceding clause) and the other half share be paid to the Director or Secretary so retiring or to the legal personal representative of such Director or Secretary so dying as aforesaid. By Order of the Board of Directors, WONG YU TUNG, Chief Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1902. [642d]

CELEBRATIONS IN HONOUR OF THE  
CORONATION OF THEIR MAJESTIES  
THE KING AND QUEEN.

IN consequence of Telegraphic News received from England as to the POSTPONEMENT of the CORONATION owing to His Majesty's indisposition, the Celebrations in Hongkong have been INDEFINITELY POSTPONED with the exception however of the Tea to the Children. The Tea will be given as previously arranged, at 4.30 P.M., at the CITY HALL, TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, those Ladies who have already kindly promised to attend are asked to be good enough to be present.

EDBERT A. HEWETT, Hon. Secretary.

To the Coronation Committee.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1902. [677d]

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the CLUB GYMNASIUM, (KOWLOON), on MONDAY, the 30th June, at 5.30 P.M.

FRANK W. WHITE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1902. [669d]

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 8th July, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1902, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th instant, to the 8th July, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1902. [657d]

## NAVAL COALING DEPOT, KOWLOON.

ERECTION of a Boundary Wall and Fence, concrete work to back of Sea Wall and rubble too to same, repairs to Coal Sheds and pulling down existing buildings.

Tenders are invited for the above works. Drawings, Specification and Conditions of Contract may be seen and Form of Tender obtained at the Office of the Superintendent Civil Engineer, H.M. Naval Yard, on and after the 30th instant. Sealed Tenders marked "Tender for Erection of Boundary Wall, &c." are to be delivered on or before TUESDAY, the 8th July next, at Noon, addressed to the Superintendent Civil Engineer and placed in Tender Box, at Superintendent Civil Engineer's Office, H.M. Naval Yard.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1902. [681d]

## BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE HEAD OFFICE of the above Bank in PARIS has been REMOVED from 34, Rue Laffitte to 15bis RUE LAFITTE.

G. MAYER, Acting Manager at Hongkong.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1902. [670d]

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No. 30, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, 15th May, 1902. [675d]

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GRIMAUD & Co., Paris, 144 rue de la Harpe.

## Intimations.



SOLE AGENTS.

RITCHIE &amp; Co.,

Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1902. [673d]

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1902. [121d]

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Rattan Furniture, Bamboo

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Price Lists On Application.

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1 and 3, Lyndhurst Terrace.

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [502d]

## CHEONG SHING.

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902. [45]

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Behind Hongkong Dispensary.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1902. [405d]

## GOVERNMENT FIRE BRIGADE.

## HONGKONG AND ITS GASWORKS.

The following report on the Government Fire Brigade for the year 1901, is published in the *Government Gazette*—

## Fire Brigade Department.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1902.

Sir, I have the honour to submit the following report on the Government Fire Brigade for the year 1901. There were fifty-eight fires and eighty-four incipient fires during the year. Details regarding each are attached. The Brigade turned out fifty-seven times during the year. The estimated damage caused by the fires was \$60,381, and by the Incipient Fires \$212.50. A list is attached showing the number of Fires that have occurred during each of the last ten years with the estimated value of property destroyed in each case. The water in the mains was turned off from 11th November last, since which date the steam engines and sea water were used, and the work of extinguishing fires was rendered less prompt and considerably more arduous. One large fire occurred in a warehouse after that date, fortunately quite close to the sea-wall. One Fire occurred in the Harbour during the year. A new telescopic fire-escape, capable of reaching a height of 60 feet, was received from England on the 5th November. The men were drilled in handling it, but it was never called into actual use at a Fire. I attach a list of places where Fire "Despatch" Boxes are kept, and copy of report by the Engineer on the state of the Fire Engines, which are all in good order. (Since the report was written No. 3 Engine has been repaired). The conduct of the Brigade has been good. I acted as Superintendent of the Brigade, and Mr. Mackie as Assistant Superintendent from the 5th September, when Mr. May left the Colony on leave of absence. An additional Assistant Superintendent was added to the Brigade from the 15th July, the post being filled by Inspector Kemp.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. J. BADELEY,

(Acting Superintendent of Fire Brigade.)

## List of Places where Fire Brigade Despatch Boxes are kept.

1 Box, No. 1 Police Station; 3 Boxes, Engine House at No. 2 Police Station; 1 Box, Naval Dock Yard; 1 Box, Clock Tower; 1 Box, Government Offices; 1 Box, Government House; 1 Box, No. 7, Queen's Garden, Engineers' Mess; 1 Box, Central Police Station; 1 Box, Wellington Street at Lyndhurst Terrace; 1 Box, Government Civil Hospital; 1 Box, Staunton Street at Sing Weng Street; 1 Box, Water Lane at Queen's Road Central; 2 Boxes, No. 7 Police Station; 1 Box, Bonham Strand West, at East End; 1 Box, Gas House, West Point; 1 Box, Far Hing Street, at Queen's Road West; 1 Box, Ko Shing Theatre; 1 Box, 1 Box, Government Lunatic Asylum; 2 Boxes, Nam Pak Hong Fire Station; 1 Box, Man Mo Temple; 2 Boxes, No. 5 Police Station; 1 Box, Kennedy Town Hospital; 1 Box, Collinson Street; 1 Box, No. 403, Queen's Road West.

## List of Telephones to which the Police can have access to communicate with Central Station in the event of a Fire breaking out.

Hongkong and China Gas Company, East and West Point, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tung Wai Hospital, Po Yan Street; Man On Insurance Office, Queen's Road West; Hongkong Hotel, Praya Central; Royal Naval Yard, Queen's Road East; Mr. J. Kennedy's, Causeway Bay; Electric Light Company, Queen's Road East.

## ENGINEERS REPORT.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1902.

Sir, I have the honour to forward the Annual Report on the state of the Government Fire Engines for the year ending 31st December, 1901.

## STEAMER NO. 1.

(Land Engine by Shand &amp; Mason.)

This Engine has been 4 years in service, was docked and over-hauled in June, 1901, and the Hull, Engines, Boiler and Pumps are now in good order and condition.

## STEAMER NO. 2.

(Land Engine by Shand &amp; Mason.)

This Engine has been 23 years in service (Boiler 4 years) it has been regularly tested at Drill for Drivers and is now in good order and condition.

## STEAMER NO. 3.

(Land Engine by Shand &amp; Mason.)

This Engine has been 22 years in service and has been regularly tested at Drill for Drivers. At the last two Drills great difficulty was experienced in getting the Pump to catch the water, and on examination I found the Valve Seats badly corroded thus preventing a Vacuum being formed in the Chamber.

## STEAMER NO. 4.

(Land Engine by Shand &amp; Mason.)

This Engine has been 20 years in service and has been regularly tested at Drill and is now in good order and condition.

## STEAMER NO. 5.

(Land Engine by Shand &amp; Mason.)

This Engine has been 15 years in service, it was over-hauled in 1900, and has been regularly tested at Drill and is now in good order and condition.

## All the Manual Engines and gear, Hose, Reels, Ladders and Supply Carts have been kept in good repair and are now in good order and condition.

Owing to the extra work the Engines have recently done at fires and considering the long time that has elapsed since they were overhauled I consider that it will be necessary to have the present year to examine and overhaul each of the Engines, but with the exception of No. 2 Engine, this can be left until the water from the mains can be used for fires.

D. MACDONALD, Engineer, Fire Brigade.

[405d]

## HONGKONG AND ITS GASWORKS.

The following is the article which appeared



bonhomie which have endeared him to those by whom he is surrounded.

## CHINESE LABOUR.

The carbolic plant of the works consists of seven through ovens, with six retorts in each oven, all on the open fire system. Chinese manual labour is employed throughout the works, and when gasmaking is in full swing four stokers are engaged, each stoker assisted by two coolies. The gas stokers get from 18 to 20 dols. (35s. to 40s.) per month, whilst the coolies get 11 dollars per month. These men work in twelve-hour shifts. One difficulty always experienced with Chinese labour is that the men frequently leave without notice, causing much confusion. Their customary method is to ask off to do "Joss Pidin," i.e., to attend a religious ceremony. Another excuse often given is the death of some member of the family. This simply means that more congenial employment has been found, and the man does not return. It may be mentioned that the rate of wages paid at the gasworks is rather above.

THE MARKET VALUE OF CHINESE LABOUR of this class. It has been found that the stokers and others who leave the gasworks generally get employment as furnace men on board ship, as in Hongkong there is always a demand for such men, and their having worked at a gasworks is as good a recommendation as they can have. It is usual at the gasworks to appoint one of the Chinese stokers as "No. 1 stoker," and it is this man who employs the coolies by whom the stokers are assisted. Understanding, as he does, the ways and customs of the men, he is in a better position to deal with them than a European would be.

There are in the works two exhausters, one of 20,000 cubic feet capacity and the other of 10,000 cubic feet capacity per hour. During the six months of winter, which begin in October and end in April, the large exhauster is worked, and the smaller one during the summer months. Above the engine room, covered with water, are the condensers. In these the gas passes through a scrubber filled with thin boards and then through a Livesey washer into the oxide purifiers, which are in the open, exposed to the weather. The gas goes thence through two lime purifiers on to the station meter. In the oxide purifiers artificial oxide is used, mixed with sawdust. The lime consists of shells dredged from the Canton river bed and burned. These shells are also used as lime for building purposes.

DISTRIBUTING GAS ON THE HEIGHTS. In the works there are two gasholders, each of 50,000 cubic feet capacity. At the Wanchai storage station there is a holder of 100,000 cubic feet capacity and sufficient room to erect a second holder of like size, and provision is being made to fill these from the chief works without in any way interfering with the town supply. Running from the West Point works to the centre of the town there is a 12-inch main, with various branch pipes en route to supply consumers. One interesting feature is that the gas is taken along the feed mains up to the summit of the Peak district, which, as has already been stated, consists of a LOFTY RANGE OF MOUNTAINS.

Governors are placed at certain points for the purpose of checking the pressure during the day and to open automatically during the night at points where the supply is required. Much attention has to be devoted to the wants of the consumers in this district, for should the governors fail to act, in the absence of precautionary measures the Peak supply would be cut off. To provide against this another main has been laid to these heights from the Wanchai district, so that any deficiency experienced on the one hand is adjusted by the pressure from the opposite direction.

GAS PREFERRED TO ELECTRICITY. In the Peak district the incandescent light is the usual illuminant, as, in fact, is the case throughout practically the whole of Hongkong. The Chinese prefer gas light and have of late become very actively interested in the lighting of their premises, with the result that the great majority of the honga (business houses) are lighted throughout by the incandescent light, and the demand for gas is such that the Gas Company have, with their present facilities, enough to do to meet the requirements of their consumers. When however, the extensive arrangements which are contemplated by the Gas Company are carried out, the growing requirements of Hongkong and district will readily be met. The price of gas is 3 dols. (about 65s.) per thousand cubic feet. There is no

DIFFERENCE IN THE SLOT SYSTEM in use. Kowloon is lighted entirely by the Company at the expense of the Government and there is no electric light there. The Company have also over a thousand burners in use in the streets of Hongkong, paid for by the governing body of the city, and the lighting is equal to that of many important home towns. There are electric arc lamps in the town, but incandescent gas lighting is preferred by the Government. One electric arc lamp costs as much as seven incandescent gas lights which possess a greater illuminating power than the one arc lamp. In addition to producing gas, the Gas Company supply gas-fittings of every kind. These fittings are rented by the gas consumers from, and fitted up by, the Gas Company, in much the same way as gas cooking ranges, etc., are let out on hire by the various home companies. In the works there is employed a staff of Chinese fitters, presided over by Mr. E. W. Terry, who resides in a bungalow at the back of the works, over the repairing shop, in which meters are repaired and repairs generally are done.

WANDLING COAL. The coal used by the Company is obtained from the Yubari mine, situated at Noborikawa, in the Yubari district of Ishikari province, North Japan, and is shipped from port Muroran, the third largest port in Japan. In this mine

nearly 4,000 hands are employed. The coal is bituminous caking coal, solid, of full combustible and large calorific power, and makes first-class fuel for most purposes, especially for steamers, gas making and iron smelting works. No other coal produced in Japan can compare with the small coal of Yubari. The price of the coal averages about 12 dols. per ton (24s.), delivered in the channel in front of the gasworks. The coke and tar are sold by the Company at good prices. The method of discharging coal from the coal junks to the bunkers of the various steamers in the channel is, to a stranger, very interesting, although common enough in the East, where

## LABOUR IS CHEAP.

The work is done principally by Chinese women. Immediately a vessel about to take in coal is anchored in the channel large Chinese junks (which have been waiting for the vessel) full of coal come alongside, together with other junks containing living freights, who swarm round and on to the boat like ants. Three or four rudely constructed ladders of bamboo, extending from the coal junks to the bunkers, are soon fixed up. These ladders are lined by the women, and small baskets made of matting holding about 14 lbs. each are rapidly filled and passed by the women from one to the other into the coal hole with a rapidity that could not be exceeded in any other part of the world. One thousand tons can be by this method be easily conveyed from the junks to the coal bunkers in one full day. This work is usually let out by the coal-owners in the form of a contract to a "No. 1 man," who employs and pays the necessary labour. The sum paid by the coalowners to the No. 1 man for putting the coal on board is 10 cents (2d.) per ton; and 10 cents is about the sum that each Chinese girl gets for her labour during the entire operation for one day.

## THE SPANISH BULL FIGHT.

A good deal of nonsense is talked in Great Britain concerning the bullfight, and most of the descriptions of it that I have read are ludicrously inaccurate. If you took a Chinaman who did not understand the rules of the game to witness a football match he might describe it as a contest in which men try to kick and choke each other to death for the possession of a ball. Now, the rules of the bull ring are more complicated and difficult to understand than those of football. Of the three suertes, or acts, of a bullfight the first, the suerte de pica, in which the picadores deliberately present the wretched horses (they bestride to the horns of the bull, is impossible of defence, as the disgusting horror of it cannot well be exaggerated; but the two other suertes—the suerte de banderilla and the suerte de matar—cannot fairly be described as brutal, and no sport I know of calls for

MORE COURAGE, SKILL, AND AGILITY on the part of the men engaged. But to appreciate the popular Lida of Spain one must know the rules. It is absurd to talk of the cruelty to the bull. The wounds that are inflicted on him before the last merciful espada's thrust are practically but pin pricks, though they irritate him into making a good fight of it. Throughout he feels no fear for his life, his death is quick and painless. Compare with this the suffering of the hunted stag or hare, the agony of wounded creatures that are left to die slowly after a battue. Were but the horsetrotting business of the banderilleros left out, as it is in the Portuguese bullfights, it would be carrying humanitarian sentiment to an extreme to call for the abolition of this sport, and it would be a pity were the corridos de toros with all their picturesque costumes, customs and surroundings, to become a thing of the past, which they are not at all likely to do, seeing how passionately fond are Spaniards of all conditions of their national sport.—E. F. Knight in the Morning Post.

## PASSENGERS BOOKED FOR THE EAST.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Australien*, from Marseilles, May 18.—To Shanghai: Mr. Beaulieu, To Hongkong: Mr. J. Roussy. To Haiphong: Mr. and Mrs. Spas and 4 children, Mr. Figei, Mr. Bally and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louvet and child, Mr. and Mrs. Nicole and child. To Saigon: Mr. and Mrs. Yager. To Batavia: Mr. Antony, Mr. Garreau. To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. Warlomont, Mr. Van Elmet, Capt. F. B. Lawson. Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Berndt Simon*, from Marseilles June 1.—To Saigon: Mr. de Lamotte, Mr. Eberhard, Mrs. Verrast and 3 children. To Batavia: Mr. F. Lucard. Per P. and O. steamer *Victoria*, connecting with the steamer *Palatia* at Colombo, from London, May 29.—To Hongkong: Mr. A. Warner, Commandr. B. Nugent, Mr. F. Hardie, Mr. Ling, Mr. C. H. Parker, Mrs. Day and 3 children, Mrs. Hutchison and 3 children, From Marseilles.—To Penang: Mr. T. C. Hicks, Miss Hicks. From Port Said.—To Hongkong: Mr. R. Muir. Per Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer *Sachsen*, from Bremen, May 15, and Southampton, May 20.—To Shanghai: Mr. Hardy and 3 children, Miss Clennell, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Niven and 3 children. To Singapore: Mr. John Calder. To Penang: Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Cooper and children. Per Imperial German mail steamer *Kleistow*, from Hamburg, May 29, and Southampton, June 3.—To Shanghai: Mr. E. E. C. Chen, Mr. Loh, Miss Loh, Miss Lo and Florence Lo, Messrs. Hirs and Yee, Messrs. Sing and Yung, Messrs. Yu, Lu, Ling, Mr. T. C. Lowe, Mrs. Lo and 3 children, Messrs. Lo, Tsung Toon, Lo, Tsung Yuen, P. R. Lo, Yude Duen Lo, Mrs. Reilly, Mr. Liow, Mr. Lu, Mr. Wei, Mr. Kuoh, Mr. E. Lihonon. To Singapore: Mrs. Duane and child, Mr. and Mrs. Evan O'Brien, Mr. J. S. Mitchell.

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BIRTH.—At the Government Dispensary, Kandang Kerbau, on the 18th instant, the wife of H. S. FOSTON, of a daughter.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1902.

## CORONATION HONOURS.

As we were going to press yesterday afternoon news had just been received in the Colony from the Colonial Office intimating that Sir THOMAS JACKSON had been created a Baronet, that the Hon. C. P. CHATER, had been knighted, and that the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai was appointed a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. The news undoubtedly came as a great surprise especially considering the fact that Reuters wire from London, of the 24th inst., published in to-day's issue, informed us that the Coronation honours had been postponed. The public was little prepared for it, and the news was the more pleasing. In the presence of Government Officials, the unofficial members of the Council and the members of the Coronation Committee His Excellency Major General GASCONE congratulated Dr. Ho Kai on his appointment. Sir THOMAS JACKSON, BART, and Sir C. P. CHATER are both away from the Colony, the former having left his labours here for good, and the latter for a well deserved rest in England. What Sir THOMAS has done for the Colony will long bind him to the hearts of all whose interests are in Hongkong. For over twenty-six years he was connected with the great Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and even with those responsibilities and the great task upon his time, successfully dealt with the treasuries of many charitable and other institutions besides numerous public bodies, and won the esteem of every section of the community. As a member of the Legislative Council his works are too well-known to need recapitulation, while the same may be said regarding his labours on behalf of the mercantile and shipping interests of the port. Sir C. P. CHATER has long been bound up in the prosperity of Hongkong, and the energy he has displayed in all matters of public interest has contributed in no small measure to then numerous undertakings so successfully carried out. For many years he has now served the Colony as a member of the Legislative Council and his intimate acquaintance with public affairs, with the wants of the ratepayers and with progressive legislation has been a source of great help in the discussions of many matters affecting the welfare of Hongkong, and its community. Doubtless when he again returns to carry on his work he will receive the congratulations of all for the well deserved distinction just bestowed upon him.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

NEW ZEALAND may send a football team to England next year.

JAPAN'S FIRST STATUE in memory of a woman has been unveiled at Shijo-Nawate.

THE PLAGUE RETURN for the forty-eight hours ended at noon to-day shows eighteen fatal cases.

THE TRANSPORT *NURANI* with eleven officers and 873 men of the 30th Baluchis (India) arrived from Shanghai this morning.

THE NUMBER OF FIRES in the Colony during 1901 was 58 with an estimated damage of \$630,381. During the same period there were 84 incipient fires with damage estimated at \$212,50.

FROM MORTUARY RETURNS, dated the 26th inst., we gather that three dead bodies were found in the harbour. Two of them were plague victims and the third was too decomposed to be examined.

TWIGS FOR THE CHILDREN'S TEA.—Several men have this morning been employed in cutting twigs from the big tree facing the City Hall. These will be used as decorations for to-morrow's children's tea.

UNDAUNTED.—Many of the Chinese musical performers are continuing their shows to-day, but owing to the rain some have been obliged to protect themselves with screens thus shutting out the spectators' view.

THE OLDEST PIECE OF WRITING in the world is on a fragment of a vase found at Nippur. It is an inscription in picture writing, and dates 4,500 years before Christ. The University of Pennsylvania has secured it.

GERMAN SOLDIERS IN HONGKONG.—The Hamburg-American liner *Hamburg*, arrived this morning and left this afternoon for home. She brought from Shanghai 470 German troops commanded by Major Shoenberg. They come from Peking and Langfang via Taku and consist chiefly of infantry and about a hundred cavalry. This morning they were granted leave ashore and attracted considerable attention in Queen's Road.

A RECORD TRIP.—The British ship *Queen Victoria* arrived at San Francisco on the 18th ult. thirty days from Shanghai, with several sails torn to tatters. The run is regarded by seamen as a phenomenal one. Captain Morrison stated that it is a record hitherto not made. The weather was favourable almost to the Golden Gate where a gale was encountered. Aside from losing some canvas, no particular injury was sustained by the vessel.

## A QUESTION OF WHITE ELEPHANTS.

—The *Pail Mail Gazette* must beware for the *Bangkok Times* confesses that it can hardly share the smiling indifference of that journal as to whether France does or does not keep white elephants.

SUPERSTITIONS.—There is a Chinese superstition to the effect that if a structure or building is commenced it is very unlucky not to finish it. A correspondent thinks that this may account for the non-postponement in the completion of the triumphal arches.

A POLICE WHISTLE sounded in Queen's Road this afternoon because a drunken European had found his way into a native Jewellery shop. The man in charge evidently thought there would be a disturbance so summoned the police who told the intruder to clear out. He went.

THE TERRIBLE DISPLAY.—Some three hundred of the *Terrible's* crew gave another exhibition at 11 a.m. to-day. It was similar to that of yesterday and a bluejacket "God Save the King" was again shown against the ship's side. Owing to the miserable down-pour it only lasted about ten minutes.

JAPANESE ANXIETY ABOUT KWANG-SI.—Japan is becoming very anxious over the absence of reliable information from Kwangsi, reports the *Shanghai Times*, and with the consent of the Chinese Government, has sent a number of special intelligence officers to that province in order to ascertain the exact situation and report to Tokyo.

A SEVERE SHOCK.—This morning at 8 o'clock while a plague patient was being conveyed in an ambulance along Gaine Road, just opposite the Italian Convent, the string attached to the pole gave way and the ambulance dropped to the ground. The poor man must have received a severe shock, and one that would not be conducive to early recovery.

UNLUCKY FRIDAY.—Evidently, Friday is to be the great day for State events in England, says an exchange. The first Court was held on Friday. The King's birthday was celebrated on a Friday, and the Coronation procession was to be on Friday. This in one way fits in well with the new parliamentary arrangement whereby Friday is to take the place of Wednesday as the off night.

HONGKONG POST OFFICE.—The action taken by the Post Office officials at Hongkong in sending on the P. & O. mails to Japan by the N.Y.K. European liners whenever possible is of great advantage to business men in Kobe, says the local *Chronicle*, and it is to be hoped that this plan will be adopted in future instead of sending the mails on by steamers which call at Shanghai and Nagasaki on the way up.

BY KIND PERMISSION OF Lieut.-Col. Baillie and Officers, the Band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening, from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

## PROGRAMME.

1. March "The Star of Bobbie Burns".....Hume.
2. Selection "The Rose of Persia".....Sullivan.
3. Valse "Sofie las Oles".....Ross.
4. Largo "Kaiser".....Handel.
5. Polka "Whistling".....Crawford.
6. Selection "The Gaiety".....Jones.

"God save the King."

PRESERVING THE COLOURS.—Colours are not now taken into action, says *Navy and Army*. Before a corps proceeds on service they are placed in safe custody as suits such honourable insignia, and "When Johnny comes marching home again" they will be all the fresher for not being carried through dusty lands and trying rivers. The men whose duty it would have been to carry them and stand by them to the last are nowadays employed in less sentimental, if more useful, duties.

A CURIOUS ARCHAEOLOGICAL survey has been in progress near Naples. Important Roman remains beneath the sea stretch almost without interruption from Naples to Baiae, and these are being accurately charted. The work done indicates that the level of the Mediterranean has risen about twenty feet since these old piers and villas were constructed. The survey will have great practical value as well as scientific interest, for the submerged foundations endanger navigation and many vessels strike on them.

DARING ROBBERY.—A report has been made at the Central Police Station by a Chinese contractor, living at No. 9 Hollywood Road, that on the morning of the 25th instant five men entered his shop and stole from a wooden box \$3,046 in cash and two promissory notes of \$100 and \$550 respectively. The police set to work immediately and succeeded in arresting one of the thieves, who was recognised as a former foki of the shop. On his person they found the sum of five hundred odd dollars. Presumably the other four men have left the colony with the rest of the money.

DRINKING PRESUMPTUOUSLY.—The following is the text of a letter written by an "educated" South African Kafir, who was employed about a Government office, and had been officially rebuked for his intemperate habits: "Having promulgated my conduct of drinking presumptuously, I beg to tell me nominally the person informed you. Consulted by speculations, the case should be reprimanded for the derogation of my name. When you addressed your inspection I perceived dishonest intermeddling; otherwise I am not a controversial acumen. Remember you are forced to tell me; the matter is not to be appropriated clandestinely, because it was proclaimed publicly. Quickness of the answer will so oblige, yours truly."

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IMPERIAL FLAGS.—It has been ruled that all the Imperial flags used in India are to bear in future the Crown which His Majesty the King has approved.

THE HEAVY GUNS of the new battleship *London* are fitted with a clever device for training and elevating the turret guns. It consists of a pistol grip placed in the sighting position; by raising or lowering the grip, or moving it to right and left, the gun is trained on the object, and by pressing the trigger it is fired. All this can be done without taking the eyes off the sights.

GOOD FOR THE POOR.—It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good. A big Coronation supper was prepared for the members and friends of St. Patrick's Club. A quantity of mutton, fowls and other viands had already been cooked before the sad news which caused the postponement reached us. So acting upon the advice of Fr. Augustin, president of the club, the supper was distributed amongst the poor.

IMPORTANT RULING IN THE MINING LAWS.—The *Wai Wai* (Board of Foreign Affairs) despite the strenuous opposition of the views of the Viceroy Liu and Chang as well as Lu Hai-hwan, and Sheng Shuen-hui, the Treaty Revision Commissioners, has memorialised and obtained the Imperial sanction to allow foreigners to obtain mining rights in the interior of China, without restriction as to the proportion of Chinese capital employed in these enterprises.

A CLOSE SEASON FOR FISH.—Siam is taking a step of some interest in making a close season for fish, says the *Bangkok Times*. Under the Fishing Regulations of the year 120 the responsible Minister has power to forbid the catching of fish in any specified district during the season when the water covers the paddy fields, the season when fish spawn. H. R. H. the Minister of the Interior has therefore issued a regulation forbidding the catching of fish in waters other than rivers within Ayuthia Monthan, from the 1st July to the 15th September of this year. The regulation is avowedly issued for the purpose of increasing the supply of fish. It may be hoped that after this precedent the Government may find time to give some consideration to the other important questions of the breeding of cattle and ponies.

THE LATE LORD PAUNCEFOTE.—Referring to the late Lord Pauncefote, a writer in the *Pail Mail Gazette* says:—In 1862, however, a better prospect was suggested to him at Hongkong. Mr. Pauncefote obtained a large legal practice out there at once, and in 1865 became Attorney-General. As such he was an *ex officio* member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, and combined much work of the greatest utility to the general welfare of the colony with his legal duties. Twice he acted for a period as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The great monument of his work in the East is the Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure—one of the most perfect codes in the world—which he drafted; while he also prepared ordinances dealing with emigration, extradition, and other subjects. He received the thanks of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong for his services, and it was mainly for his work there that he received his patent of knighthood. From Hongkong he was transferred to the newly-federated colony of the Leeward Islands as Chief Justice. There he opened the Federal Supreme Court, set the whole administration going, and produced another comprehensive Code of Civil Procedure, based on the rules in force in the mother-country under the Judicature Acts.

A LARGE CONGREGATION OF PARSEES, under the auspices of the trustees of the Parag Charity Fund, attended at their Club House in Elgin Street at 3 p.m. yesterday, where a special service called "Jusan" was held. After the function was over, their very popular President Mr. H. N. Mody offered, in a most impressive manner, an Intercessory Prayer for the speedy recovery and restoration to health of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII.

The prayer was as follows:—  
BLESSED BE THE NAME OF HOLY ABURMAZDA.

Almighty Abura-Mazda, Holy, Heavenly, Pure; give ear, we beseech Thee, to the prayers of Thy Mazdayasnian servants, and satisfy us with Thy Mercy.

Vouchsafe to him, Merciful Creator, Thy love, and grant unto him, with Thy abundant grace, the spirit of heavenly piety, as also Thy spirit of wisdom for his guide and Thy arm for his strength, so that in his godliness, and in his unfeigned spirit of wisdom and strength, justice, truth, peace and love may flourish in his days to promote the well being, solidarity and unification of his various subjects of all classes and creeds.

We pray unto Thee, O Merciful Mazda, to bestow upon our illustrious Sovereign Thy choicest blessings, to speedily restore him to perfect health, and endow him with many years of happy life and a joyful and peaceful reign resplendent with glory.

We supplicate Thee, O Merciful Creator, to crown the fulness of his days with the fulness of Thy divine blessings, grace, and love, and receive our humble prayers, O Almighty God, that these and all Thy other gifts may be long continued, and crown him with immortality in life to come.

Listen, we pray Thee, to this earnest invocation of Thy servants of the Zoroastrian faith in Hongkong, and grant us our wishes.

So we give Thee thanks for ever; and let our cry come unto Thee. Amen.

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IT IS EXTRAORDINARY, says the *Shanghai Gazette* of May 19, that the P. and O. Company cannot see its way to establish a regular service from Alexandria to Marseilles, for to allow the Messageries Maritimes to have a monopoly of the most direct passenger route to England from this port inflicts a great grievance on the travelling public.

SEPARATING THE DEAD.—At one of the great London hospitals a cold storage chamber was being constructed in connection with the post-mortem room, and the secretary of the hospital, on going to see how the work was getting on, found that the chamber was being fitted with double doors—and those of small size—instead of one large door. He made inquiries as to the reason for this deviation from the original plan, when the chief carpenter who was superintending the work, replied: "Oh, sir, we are putting in double doors and a wooden partition in order to keep the sexes apart!"—The *Lancet*.

SAME OLD STORY.—In a letter from Pretoria the *Daily Mail* learns that there is much murmuring over the cost of living. House-rent is abnormally and fictitiously high. The demand for houses at present is much greater than the supply. Ten pounds per month may secure a cottage of three or four rooms. Anything in any way decent, say, comparable to an ordinary suburban house of £60 or £70 per annum, here would be from £16 to £20 per month. While servants want from £5 to £6 per month. The correspondent adds that groceries are very dear, and tinned foods, which form a considerable item in every household, in many instances are exorbitant in price. The 6d. tin of marmalade is 1s. 3d.; eggs, a luxury, are 8s. a dozen; and chickens, a luxury, 16s. to 18s. each.

DAME NATURE has apparently outdone herself in Edward Beaupre, the young French Canadian giant, who bids fair to outlive the fabled one eyed giant Polyphemus, of Homer's time, while he overtops by several feet modern competitors. Beaupre, therefore, enjoys the proud distinction of being the tallest man on earth. He is 30 years old, his scales are 387 pounds, and stands ten feet 11 inches high, hands measuring 19 inches, and his feet 24 inches by 12 wide. A two yard tape measure barely encircles his chest. Each of his trousers legs can contain the figures of two ordinary persons, and there is sufficient cloth in one of his suits to outfit ten average men. The massive framework of each of his outstretched arms will bear the weight of three athletes. A man five feet ten inches by his side appears a mere pigmy. One of the peculiarities about Beaupre is that his father and mother were of ordinary size. From youth he has been a great gymnast and has given much time to athletic sports.

## THE CANTON FERRY.

## FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

It has just been reported from Canton that two ferry boat owners have had their licences forfeited by Capt. Yeung who states that they refused to pay their taxes, but foul play is suspected. The public indignation increases.

## IN CHINA TOWN.

## LAST EVENING.

Though all official celebrations of the Coronation were postponed a visit to China town last evening was productive of pleasure to a large number of people. The great centre of attraction was the Flower Show on the Praya which thousands of people visited during the course of the day, and at night there was no decrease in the numbers. The Des Vaux Road was densely packed while, if anything, Queen's Road was worse. The many arches and stands erected were illuminated and everywhere could be heard the sound of gongs and symbols mingled with the voice of the sing-song girl. It was undoubtedly a

RARE TIME IN CHINA TOWN, and one that most of the shopkeepers appeared to thoroughly enjoy. Many buildings were illuminated with Chinese lanterns, though there can be no doubt that the proceedings last evening were far inferior to what would have been witnessed had the coronation ceremony not been postponed. The archway in Queen's Road, Jervois Street, Bonham Strand and the Praya looked exceedingly piggy, and attracted large crowds of sightseers, though marionette shows erected in many of the public thoroughfares, drew such numbers that the streets were practically blocked and those in rickshas had the greatest difficulty in getting past. The native story teller kept crowds of openmouthed.

COOLIES YEARNING FOR MORE, and the man with the gong hanging away bringing reinforcements to the throng. Several Chinese ladies who ventured into the streets to view the illuminations were somewhat roughly handled, and some of the natives even turned their attention to a foreigner in seaman's attire, who came along in a ricksha. He did not appreciate the little onslaught so hastening from the vehicle endeavoured to square matters by sending blows to the left and right, and without the least respect or thought for where they fell. The crowd drew back, the jolly tar returned to his ricksha. But the enemies returned for more, and were more than accommodated for they drew back leaving him to resume his journey in peace. Meanwhile the music was as deafening as ever, the story teller continued fascinating the simple coolie, marionettes still danced upon the stage, and when at length the last lamp had flickered out, nature continued to illuminate the City with her continuous flashes of brilliant light.

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## TELEGRAMS.

(REUTERS.)

## KING EDWARD'S ILLNESS.

LONDON, June 25th.

The bulletin issued at 11 o'clock yesterday evening says that His Majesty's condition is as good as can be expected. His strength is maintained, and he has been able to take a little nourishment. There is also less pain. Some days must however elapse before it is possible to say that he is out of danger.

The bulletin issued at 12.30 this morning says that the patient has had a refreshing sleep, and that there are no symptoms to cause anxiety.

His Majesty's chief anxiety was that he might not disappoint his subjects, and he only abandoned his determination to go through with the Coronation ceremony when it became evident that it was physically impossible for him to do so.

## DEPARTURE OF FOREIGN GUESTS.

The foreign guests of His Majesty begin leaving to-morrow.

## CORONATION HONOURS.

The Coronation honours have been postponed.

LATER.

## THE KING'S ILLNESS.

The bulletin issued at 10.30 this morning says that His Majesty was very restless and sleepless during the early part of the night, but that he obtained some sleep after one o'clock this morning, and is now free from pain. The evening bulletin states that His Majesty has passed a fairly comfortable day, and that his general strength is well maintained. There are no symptoms causing special anxiety.

The bulletin issued at eleven this evening says that His Majesty continues to make satisfactory progress. He slept for some hours during the day; complains of very little discomfort, and is more cheerful. The wound is doing well.

(Shanghai Mercury.)

## De Wet a Loyal British Subject.

HIS CIRCULAR TO HIS ADJUTANTS. General De Wet, in a circular to his Adjutants, said: That you, I and every Burgher, can win the heart of our new government by our future conduct, whereof I am not the least doubtful.

(Des Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

## Bulow Made Colonel.

BERLIN, June 20th.

Chancellor Count Billow has been appointed Colonel of the Donner Hussars.

## Death of King Albert.

THE KAISER ATTENDS THE FUNERAL. The warmest sympathy is felt for the Royal Family at Dresden on account of the death of H. M. King Albert. H. M. the Emperor will be present at the funeral.

## Troubles at La Guaira.

The troubles at La Guaira are continuing.

## THE CHINESE FLOWER SHOW.

A FANTASTIC WONDERLAND.

One feature of the proposed Coronation celebrations it was impossible to postpone—the Chinese Flower Show on the Praya. The mat shed was completed and stored with many beautiful plants and flowers, fresh from Canton and other places, before the sad news of the King's illness arrived. It was recognised that no good purpose would be served by depriving the public of the exhibition, so the show was opened and continued to attract large crowds of visitors throughout the whole of yesterday. The large shed on the Praya is built of bamboo frame work, and the mats sides are ornamented with hand painted

PICTURES OF MANY DESIGNS.

An entrance of usual Chinese design is on each of the four sides, and a pagoda rises from the centre of the construction. It is on the summit of this that a British ensign may be seen gallantly fluttering in the breeze. The main entrance faces the Central Market and is made very fantastic and imposing by the numerous ornaments and Chinese lanterns hanging around. The quarters of the staff of shed keepers are on each side of this entrance. On going in it is seen that the interior is divided into two parts an outer and an inner circle. A partition of floral wonders, broken by four gaps, corresponding with the outer doors, divide the two circles. The

MANY FEATURES

of the whole interior make up an Arabian Chinese knight's wonderland, where some of nature's best has been trained in many curious shapes. Tall pairs of guardsmen, armed with spears, are stationed at each door, and their garments of various pattern and colour at once attract attention. Some are wearing aprons of beads and mirrors; others robes made prominent by golden dragons' heads, streamers, and gilt embroidery of many weird shapes. The head gear is all of Mandarin pattern, their boots are made of China, while their arms are of earthenware. They stand in large flowerpots and look around as in wonder, and should feel proud of their

NATURAL CORPORATION OF FOLIAGE.

Many of us have seen the dwarf gardens of Japan, but the Hongkong Chinese Flower show, for originality and design would be

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very difficult to surpass. Where Chinese floral exhibitions exceed those of a similar nature in England or Europe is by displaying nothing meaningless. Many of us have beheld with delight effectively arranged flowers at home, but in the Far East additional interest is added to a floral exhibition by reason of the delightful fables associated with the exhibits of cloth, China, coral, musical instruments, miniature mirrors, beads, silk, streamers of various material, flags, tufts, masks etc. are added to the various plants to denote that some significant meaning or historic representation is associated with them. The

MOST ATTRACTIVE FEATURE.

of the show is undoubtedly the base of the central pagoda, which, besides being filled with many curious trees and beautiful flowers has a large figure at each corner and, in front of the main entrance, a large piece of coral in the midst of this is a lighthouse "joss" house, palace, bridge, and a village populated by inhabitants variously occupied. Another somewhat similar piece of coral surrounded by water is in the outer circle. On the water are to be seen miniature ducks, a small sampan and a native fishing. Other little designs add much to the effectiveness of the picture. There are several representations of actors, dancing girls, mandarins, families, mad-men, and dragons. Gilt suns and moons form the centre piece of the circular trees, and many long bamboos and other plants are growing in every conceivable shape. The numerous gasoliers each hold many lights surrounded by different coloured globes, beneath which hundreds of green glass pendants are swinging in clusters and tinkle merrily whenever a gust of wind creeps through the mats. All was lit up last night, and gave a beautiful effect. The names of many of our Wyndham Street florists were attached to the finest contributions of all, including numerous devices and designs, made entirely of flowers. The exhibition is well worth seeing, and no one should miss the opportunity now afforded.

## BOATSWAIN SENT TO PRISON.

FOR THREATS AND DISOBEYING ORDERS.

Henry Smith, boatswain of s.s. *Claverdale*, was charged at the Police Court this morning, by Capt. Harding, with refusing to obey orders and also threatened to kill him on the 25th inst. in Victoria Harbour. Capt. Harding deposed that on the day in question the defendant made use of abusive language and said if he had a revolver he would blow him (Captain) head off, and then threatened to set fire to the ship. The Chief Officer said that the defendant was drunk on the 25th inst. At 11 p.m. he threatened to kill the Captain with a knife, and witness took it away from him and put the man in irons. He also threatened to "do" for him (the Chief Officer).

The defendant said it was a false charge against him. He did not threaten to kill any one. The ship was not fit for any human being to be on, so he alleged.

Mr. Hazeland sent him to prison for one month.

MORE DISOBEDIENCE.

Patrick Taylor, fireman of s.s. *Claverdale*, was charged by Capt. Harding with refusing to obey his lawful orders on the 25th inst. in Victoria Harbour. The defendant stated that he was half starved, and had to do other firemen's work on board. That was the reason he refused to obey orders.

In answer to Mr. Hazeland, Capt. Harding said he was willing to take the man back if he would behave properly.

The defendant said he would return to the ship if there was a proper complement of men on board; he was not going to do any extra work.

The prosecutor replied that he had two firemen at present laid up in the hospital, and expected them back shortly.

Mr. Hazeland told the defendant to return on board at once. If he refused he would punish him. His Worship informed the Captain that if the man did not obey his orders and behave properly he could charge him again.

IN THE DOCK.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

June 27th.

ON THE BEACH.

There seem to be plenty of pebbles on the beach at Hongkong. Two seamen roving on the beach, have gone to the House of Detention as vagrants. They told Mr. Kemp they were waiting in the Hongkong Hotel for the captain of a ship, who had promised them a berth.

RATCATCHER IN TROUBLE.

A ratcatcher had to answer a charge before Mr. Kemp for stealing a silver watch and chain, value \$10. Acting Inspector Dymond, who was in charge of the case, said that the defendant and a Portuguese foreman entered a Chinese dwelling house, and the Chinese ratcatcher was seen by a little girl trying to open a safe. He did not succeed in this and then his eyes caught sight of the watch and chain, and he at once stole them. The defendant pleaded guilty, and Mr. Kemp, before passing sentence of 3 months with hard labour, said it was a very important case, and he would have to pass a heavy sentence on him.

TEMPTATION TOO STRONG.

Some men resist nothing. A native stole brass from a ricksha, to the value of \$1.50. He will not see another ricksha for six weeks.

NOT FOR RUBBISH.

For throwing rubbish into the harbour a Chinese boatman had to contribute \$15 to the exchequer.

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Three boatmen were charged by a watchman with stealing rattan from the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon on the 26th inst. Each got one month.

THEFT OF RAZORS.

Two Chinamen were sent to prison for one month by Mr. Hazeland for stealing some clothing and razors.

EXPENSIVE BATHS.

Six German Sailors, belonging to the s.s. *Hamburg*, were charged by Sergt. Kerr, of the Water Police with bathing in the Kowloon harbour this morning about ten o'clock. They excused themselves by saying that they did not know the rules of the colony. Mr. Hazeland fined each of them \$5.

SWEETS AGAIN.

The master of cargo boat No. 141 was charged by P. C. 23 with having in his possession 2,452 lbs. of sugar value \$95 suspected of being stolen or unlawfully obtained, on the 25th inst. in the Harbour. The defendant could not give a satisfactory account of how he came by it and Mr. Hazeland fined him \$100 or 2 months.

GAMBLING RAID.

Inspector Dymond charged fourteen Chinamen of different trade, occupation and profession, with gambling in Torseon Street, Queen's Road West. Their excuse was that they did not indulge in gambling, but were sleeping in the house, when the police made the raid. The first defendant was fined \$100, as the keeper, the second and third were fined \$50, and the rest \$5 each. The fines were paid. The stakes amounting to \$4.90—and gambling implements were forfeited.

## INHERITANCE IN SIAM.

In the preamble of the new Law of Inheritance Amendment Act, it is stated that some sections of that law are opposed to the spirit of the day. When judgment is given in accordance with sections, it is found that practical justice is done, and hence the necessity of the amending Act. One old rule was that relatives who did not attend his deceased in his illness, or did not attend his cremation, had thereby broken their relationship and could not inherit anything. This is now expressly abolished. The new Act sets forth at length the rights of the relatives of a deceased person in regard to his property. If he leaves children they alone inherit; if any of the children be dead their children will receive the share of their parents, and so long as there are direct descendants other relatives of the deceased can have no claim. In case of there being no direct descendants the estate goes to the deceased's brothers and sisters or their children. If he leaves no children, and no brothers or sisters, the estate is divided between his widow and his parents. On these failing half brothers and sisters have a claim, and so on with other relatives. Four sections are also devoted to the disposition of the estate of a married woman deceased.—*Bangkok Times*.

## CHINESE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The following is what the American Press is saying on the new Chinese departure at Columbia University.

The attendance at Professor Giles's lectures, was surprising, and far surpassed the expectations of the University authorities. Professor Giles himself declared before the course was through that he had known beforehand that the audience would be so large, he never would have come. This was said in a good-natured way, for the English scholar felt complimented by the interest which was taken in what he had found to say. That he should have felt abashed because the gatherings were comparatively large seems on first thought unusual in one whom the thoughtless would class with those other foreigners who come to this country with platform wares to offer.

ALLURED BY THE PROSPECT of many buyers. The matter of regular instruction in an organised department of Chinese is at present uncertain, for the simple reason that the University has not yet found the man upon whom it wishes to confer the first commission. The trustees do not know at this time whether next year will see a regular course of Chinese or another series of lectures. Meanwhile, the place which the newly established department will fill when organised is making itself more apparent to the University authorities each day. There is an old saying attributed to Confucius: "It is more important that we

SHOULD KNOW OTHER PEOPLE than that other people should know us." It was on something of that principle that the Dean Luag Foundation was established. The instruction in Chinese will not limit itself to Chinese literature, but will include the life, the customs, the philosophy, the science, and the economical relations of China. It is proposed to make this instruction in Chinese one department of the existing division of Oriental language, and later it is hoped to add similar departments having to do with Japan, Korea, Malaya, and the Philippine Islands. Professor Giles while he was in America, gave University authorities much help in regard to the future development of the new department. One subject to which he particularly turned his attention was that of the prospective Chinese library. Part of the income from the Carpenter Fund will be available this year for the purchase of books, and will be spent largely in accordance with the advice given by Professor Giles. The library will not be without a start, for William Barclay Parsons, a member of the Board of Trustees, has given a small collection of Chinese books, and a much larger one, a gift from the Chinese Government, is now on its way to this city. The money from the Carpenter Fund will be spent mainly for books in the European languages.

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